

Scalar Line Integrals:

Let $x : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^3$ be a C^1 path.

$\Delta s_k =$ length of k th segment of path

$$= \int_{t_{k-1}}^{t_k} \|x'(t)\| dt = \|x'(t_k^{**})\| (t_k - t_{k-1}) = \|x'(t_k^{**})\| \Delta t_k$$

for some $t_k^{**} \in [t_{k-1}, t_k]$

$$\int_x f ds \sim \sum_{i=1}^n f(x(t_k^*)) \Delta s_k = \sum_{i=1}^n f(x(t_k^*)) \|x'(t_k^{**})\| \Delta t_k$$
$$= \int_a^b f(x(t)) \|x'(t)\| dt$$

Vector Line integrals:

Calc 1 review: Suppose $f : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$,

$$\int_a^b f'(t) dt = f(b) - f(a).$$

$$\int_a^b (\text{velocity}) dt = \text{distance traveled.}$$

$$\int_a^b (\text{rate of change}) dt = \text{total change.}$$

Given $f'(t)$, can find $f(b) - f(a)$.

Given velocity, can find distance traveled.

Given rate of change, can find total change.

Calc III: Suppose $f : \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$,

Given $\nabla f = (\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y})$, find $f(\mathbf{p}) - f(\mathbf{q})$.